

# Amendment: 13

## Health and Human Services

Representative **HERBKERSMAN** proposes the following amendment:

Amend:

**33.15.** (DHHS: CHIP Enrollment and Recertification) The Department of Health and Human Services shall enroll and recertify eligible children to the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and must use available state agency program data including, but not limited to, that housed in the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office, to include the Department of Social Services' Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) and the department may use the poverty-related information from the Department of Education. Use of this data and cooperative efforts between state agencies reduces the cost of outreach and maintenance of eligibility for CHIP. In the current fiscal year and with funds available to it, the Department shall ensure that the CHIP upper income limit is at least that of the average of the states within CMS Region IV and shall enroll children into the program accordingly.